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<i>Title of the Invention:</i> METHODS FOR THE ISOLATION OF BACTERIA CONTAINING EUKARYOTIC GENES		

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 22, 2002, applicant submits the following amendment and remarks, and requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections. Favorable action on the claims is earnestly solicited.

Please amend the specification by deleting the first paragraph on page one, under the heading "Cross-reference to Related Applications," and replacing it with the paragraph appearing on the following page of this Amendment and Response.

Please amend claims 11, 12, 19, 24 and 25 as shown on the following pages.

Please add new claims 26-29

A marked-up copy of the original text of the amended paragraph and claims is attached to this amendment. Material inserted is indicated by redlining (insertion) and material deleted is indicated by strike-out (~~strike-out~~).